

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2006 - 0067**

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN
FOR THE CENTRAL COAST REGION (BASIN PLAN) TO ESTABLISH A
WATSONVILLE SLOUGH TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL)
FOR PATHOGENS, ESTABLISH A WATSONVILLE SLOUGH WATERSHED LIVESTOCK
WASTE DISCHARGE PROHIBITION, AND REMOVE THE SHELLFISH HARVESTING
BENEFICIAL USE FROM WATSONVILLE SLOUGH AND TRIBUTARIES

WHEREAS:

1. The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) adopted a revised Basin Plan on February 11, 1994, which was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) on May 18, 1994 and by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on September 7, 1994.
2. On March 24, 2006, the Central Coast Water Board adopted Resolution No. R3-2006-0025 ([Attachment 1](#)) amending the Basin Plan to establish a TMDL for Pathogens, establish a Livestock Waste Discharge Prohibition, and remove the SHELL beneficial use from the Watsonville Slough and its tributaries.
3. Central Coast Water Board found that the analysis contained in the Final Project Report, including the Use Attainability Analysis, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) "Substitute Document" Report for Basin Plan Amendment, including the CEQA Checklist, the staff report and the responses to comments prepared by Central Coast Water Board staff, complies with the requirements of the State Water Board's certified regulatory CEQA process, as set fourth in the California Code of Regulations, Title 23, section 3775 et seq.
4. Central Coast Water Board found that adoption of this amendment would result in no adverse effect on wildlife, and the amendment would be consistent with the State Antidegradation Policy (State Water Board Resolution No. 68-16) and federal antidegradation requirements.
5. State Water Board finds that the Basin Plan amendment is in conformance with Water Code section 13240, which specifies that Regional Water Quality Control Boards may revise Basin Plans, and section 13242, which requires a program of implementation of water quality objectives. The State Water Board also finds that the TMDL, livestock waste discharge prohibition, and removal of the SHELL beneficial use dedesignation as reflected in the Basin Plan amendment are consistent with the requirements of federal Clean Water Act section 303(c)(d).
6. A Basin Plan amendment does not become effective until approved by the State Water Board and until the regulatory provisions are approved by OAL. The TMDL and SHELL dedesignation must also be approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Approves the amendment to the Basin Plan adopted under Central Coast Water Board Resolution No. R3-2006-0025.
2. Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to submit to OAL the amendment adopted under Central Coast Water Board Resolution No. R3-2006-0025, as approved, and the administrative record for this action and to submit to USEPA for approval the TMDL and SHELL dedesignation.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on September 21, 2006.

AYE: Tam M. Doduc
Gerald D. Secundy
Arthur G. Baggett, Jr.
Charles R. Hoppin
Gary Wolff, P.E., Ph.D.

NO: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



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Clerk to the Board